IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION CIVIL NO. 3:04CV00302

WILLIAM MINK,)
Plaintiff,))
vs.) ORDER AND NOTICE TO PRO SE) PLAINTIFF OF DEFENDANT'S MOTION
COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.,) FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT)
Defendant.)))

THIS MATTER is before the Court on its own motion following the filing of Defendant's "Motion for Summary Judgment" (Doc. No. 13) and "Memorandum ... in Support ... " (Doc. No. 14), both filed September 12, 2005.

In accordance with <u>Roseboro v. Garrison</u>, 528 F.2d 309 (4th Cir. 1975), the Court advises Plaintiff, who is proceeding *pro se*, of the heavy burden that he carries in responding to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment.

Rule 56(e), Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, provides:

When a motion for summary judgment is made and supported as provided in this rule, an adverse party may not rest upon the mere allegations or denials of the adverse party's pleading, but the adverse party's response, by affidavits or as otherwise provided in this rule, must set forth specific facts showing that there is a genuine issue for trial. If the adverse party does not so respond, summary judgment, if appropriate, shall be entered against the adverse party.

This language means that if Plaintiff has any evidence to offer to show that there is a genuine issue for trial, he must now present it to this Court in a form which would otherwise be admissible at trial, i.e., in the form of affidavits or unsworn declarations. An affidavit is a written statement under oath;

that is, a statement prepared in writing and sworn before a notary public. An unsworn statement,

made and signed under the penalty of perjury, may also be submitted. Affidavits or statements must

be presented by Plaintiff to this Court no later than September 5, 2006, and must be filed in

duplicate. As stated by Rule 56(e), Plaintiff's failure to respond may result in Defendant being

granted the relief it seeks by way of summary judgment, that is, the dismissal of the Complaint with

prejudice.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. The *pro se* Plaintiff shall have until September 5, 2006, to file his response, including any

evidence, to Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment.

2. The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order and Notice to counsel for Defendant;

and to the pro se Plaintiff, that is, William Mink, 13777 Ballentyne Corporate Place, Suite 460,

Charlotte, North Carolina 28277.

SO ORDERED.

Signed: August 4, 2006

Frank D. Whitney

United States District Judge